

Barracudas Bubble #6



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August 10, 2004

IMPORTANT! Cuda Dates to Remember

August 11
Barracudas Synchro
Water Show
Robert Burnaby
7:30pm-10pm

August 14/15th
'B' Regionals-
Port Moody

August 16 to 22
2004 PROVINCIAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS
Hosted by Burnaby
Barracudas

Waterpolo-
Aug 16 to 18, CCAC

Synchro
Aug 18- CCAC

Swimming-
Aug 20-22
Central Park Pool

September 17th:
Annual Barracudas
Awards Banquet-
Operating Engineers
Hall
4333 Ledger Avenue,
Burnaby
6pm to 10 pm

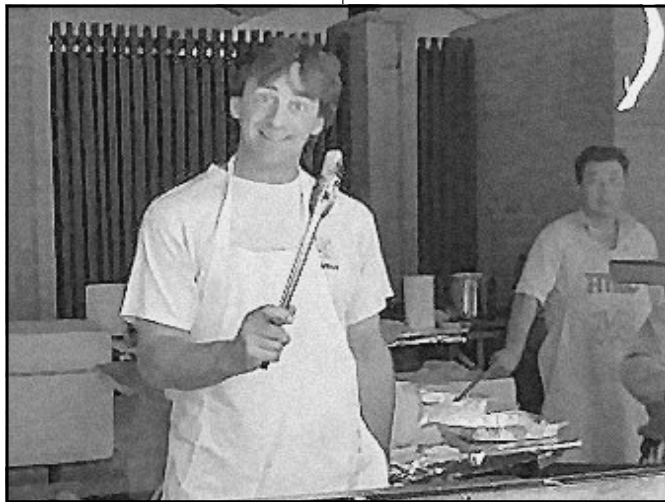
October 5th:
Annual General
Meeting plus
Wine & Cheese Social-
Shadbodt Centre
7pm

Missed a Bubble?

Check out our
Website for print-
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of the Burnaby
Barracudas Bubble
Newsletter.

[www.bcssa.bc.ca/
sf/bur](http://www.bcssa.bc.ca/sf/bur)

Volunteers Needed for Provincials



*Look who's cooking! Rick
Edgar flipping dogs at the
Burnaby A/B Meet*

Many Barracuda parents don't realize that the Club does not

have to provide as many services for Provincials as we do our for own Meet. For example, we won't need volunteers to hand out deck food- **we just need you to donae deck food and to prepare it-** for marshalling, or to work in the Office. **However, we DO need volunteers to help with parking/security and 50/50 and raffle ticket sales.**

The **main focus** for the Club will be to run a smooth and successful **concession stand** as Concession will be the **main source of net revenue** for the Barracudas. We want to ensure that we can raise a large amount of funds for the Club, which benefits everyone equally for years to come.

We will need many, many **ticket sellers, servers and cooks.** For the Provincials, a **much larger amount of** volunteers than usual is needed as there will be **many more** hungry and thirsty swimmers (over

1,000!) plus spectators over the course of three long days.

Other key areas requiring volunteers will be **parking patrol, raffle ticket and 50/50 ticket sales, heat sheet sales,** as well as **equipment set up and take down.** If Sue Wong, Barracuda Provincials Volunteer Coordinator has not yet contacted you, please give Sue a call at **604-438-9096** to determine how you can help out. **Remember, more hands help lighten the load!**

*Every little bit helps and
remember, we're ALL
doing it for the kids!*

Looking for Tanks & a Club

Linda Izumi is still looking for filled 20lb propane tanks to borrow for the Concession during the Provincials at Central Park. If you can lend one, please call Linda at: **604-436-0421.**

Chris Murao would like to know if anyone has a "truck"

Deck Food

Deck food for the Provincials means that the Barracudas have to "secure" **ALL food** for the pool deck for **4 days (Aug 16-19) at CCAC and 3 days (Aug 20-22) at Central Park.** We must also provide food for **3 province-wide meetings** to be held on **Thurs, Aug. 19th at the Accent Inn.**

At Central Park, we are expecting a swim meet of **at least 1000 swimmers** which means long days for all the volunteers involved. Other clubs will be asked to help us serve the deck food. As host club, it is **our responsibility to prepare all the food for distribution and make sure there is enough deck food for all the events.**

Although we are getting as many donations of food from corporate sources as possible, and although we will be asking other clubs in our region to bring deck food, we are asking **ALL Barracuda families** to please offer to help out with a **donation of deck food or volunteer time** to help with this task. **Bonnie Burnell** is especially looking for volunteer help on **Thurs, August 19** to prepare, set up and oversee the food at the meetings at the Accent Inn. If any Barracuda families have any connections to food distribution facilities or bakeries, please give Bonnie a call at **604-430-4842.**



Get your Tickets

There's **only a short time** to purchase your tickets to the **ABBAs**—so get yours soon! Tickets be available from **Kelly McKenzie & Colleen Lee** at the **“A” Regionals** in Coquitlam on **August 7th/8th** and from **Judy Melton, Bonnie Burnell, Wendy Murao & Lorraine Myton** at the **“B” Regionals** in Port Moody on **August 14th/15th**.

If you are not attending the Regionals, you can obtain tickets from your **Pool Rep**. This is a **great social event for EVERYONE**—for all coaches, swimmers, water polo players, synchronized swimmers and family members. **Everyone is welcome! Tickets will NOT be available at the door.**

Celebrate the Success of the 2004 Season!!

Get Your Tickets to...

The ABBAs Annual Burnaby Barracudas Awards Banquet

Where:

Operating Engineers Hall
4333 Ledger Avenue, Burnaby

When:

Friday, September 17th
6pm to 10pm

Children 10 yrs & under- \$10
Children over 10 yrs &
Adults- \$20

(No Host Cash Bar Available)

Tickets will be available from your pool reps and at the 'A' and 'B' Regionals. Get yours soon!

No Tickets sold at the Door

Congratulations to all Cuda 2004 Provincial Qualifiers. Good Luck! You'll do us proud! ★

LADIES FUN NITE FUNDRAISER

Rosella Heinonen is hosting a ladies fun nite fundraiser on **Monday, August 30th** from **7 to 9pm**. She'll be demonstrating a 30-minute **non-surgical facelift** from **Lexxus International**. Call **604-868-8596**

RED SNAPPERS ARE COMING BACK!

If you want to keep in shape & enjoy swimming, join our **Stroke Correction Clinic**.

Fall Season: **Sept 18th - Nov. 20th** Saturdays
8am-9am (10 weeks)

Sept 19th to Nov. 21st Sundays
5pm - 6 p.m. (10 weeks)

Where: **Bonsor Pool**

Price: \$55.00 for one day
\$105.00 each for both days

New swimmers NOT registered with any Swim Club are required to pay an additional **\$15.00** for insurance.

New swimmers must be able to swim 1 length of the pool unassisted in deep water. Full refund if swimming ability not suitable.

Registration starts August 4th. Please do not phone before this date.

Call Cheryl at 604-524-4543. You MUST phone to confirm space availability. To complete registration and ensure a spot after phoning, please mail a cheque (payable to **Red Snappers**) to:

Red Snappers
7223 17th Avenue
Burnaby, BC V3N 1L1

Parking at BC's

Attention **Barracuda Parents!** During Provincials, there will be **NO general parking** in the area around the pool as we are so used to doing at our A/B meets. Everyone will have to park in the **main lot**. You should **plan on arriving early** as the main lot will fill up very quickly.

Burnaby Barracudas AGM

The Barracudas **Annual General Meeting** is on **Tuesday, October 5th, 7pm at the Shadbodt Centre**. This is a very important meeting for all Barracuda parents to attend. The AGM will feature Directors' reports & the election of **new directors for the Executive Board for 2004/05**. Following the AGM, there will be a **wine and cheese social. All parents are welcome!**

If you are interested in any of the following positions or wish to nominate someone, contact **Bonnie Burnell** at **604-430-4842** or email at **steelheader@telus.net**. Nominations are also accepted on the floor. Positions are for a one year term from **October/04 to September 30th/05**. Job descriptions of these positions can be found in the Club handbook.

Thank You's

The Club would like thank the following members for donations towards the Provincials: **Linda & Harry Jung & the Salama's**. New members **Samantha & Amanda Tuey** donated a couple of watches; **Sue Wong; the Edgar family & the Lee's (Jesse & Morgan's parents)** for donating several gifts over the year for all the different raffles.

Positions on the Executive:

- President
- 1st Vice President
- 2nd Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Registrar
- Head Pool Rep
- Director at Large (2 positions)
- Director of Officials
- Director of Publicity
- Director of Fundraising
- Water Polo Rep
- Synchro Swimming Rep
- Equipment Director

The **Burnaby Barracuda Executive** meets on the **1st Tuesday of each month** at the **Mathers House** at the **Shadbodt Centre**. Meetings are casual and generally last about a couple hours.

Contributions and comments to the **Barracudas Bubble Newsletter** are welcome & greatly appreciated. Contact: **Sandra Lee** at **604-438-8921** or e-mail: **sandra_lee@shaw.ca**

Financial Assistance to the Burnaby Barracudas provided by the Government of BRITISH COLUMBIA



Water Show

The **Barracudas Synchro Teams** and the **Vancouver Cruisers** will be performing their provincial routines on **Wed. August 11th** from **7:30-10pm** at **Robert Burnaby Pool**. This will be our **very first Water Show** and everyone is welcome to bring your lawn chairs down and enjoy this exciting evening. We'll be watching for you, and you'll know who we are....

We'll be the ones 'N Sync!

I'm Signing Off!

I'm sad to say I won't be returning as Editor of the Bubble next year as my son **Kelly** is moving onto other things—mainly rugby!

Over the past 9 years, both Kelly & I have met and made many **great friends** at the Club.

I must admit when we first joined **the Barracudas**, I didn't know a single thing about the swim club culture. I assumed it was just like swimming lessons- you sign up, you swim & then you go home. In fact, the very first swim meet Kelly went to, I just brought **one towel** and not much else! I was **totally amazed** that people had tents set up—it was like camping but you get to set up & take down all in one day and you get to do it again the next day!

I couldn't believe the amount of **parent volunteers** needed to run a swim meet! Initially, because I was intimidated by the whole swim meet scene plus I was worried about my little swimmer, I was afraid to volunteer. But I've learnt over the years that **every parent needs to do their part** & everyone pitches watching over the kids. The veteran parents were always helpful to show new parents the ropes. And so it goes...now I am a veteran parent pitching in wherever I can and mentoring new parents. Best of luck to everyone in the Club and **thanks for the memories— it's been a lot of fun!**

- Sandra Lee

Volunteers Needed for "B" Regionals



Volunteer Parents helping out on deck at a recent meet

Parents of our "B" Regional swimmers please be prepared to be contacted by Director of Officials, **Maria Parente** to help on **Aug. 14th/15th** at Port Moody. The "B" Regionals is a combined effort of the Barracudas and the other Clubs in our Region. With the support of our parents we will have a successful Regional.

Positions needed to be filled for B Regionals are:

Setup - Fri, Aug. 13 - Port

Moody Westhill Pool
Sat, Aug. 14 a t the Meet: 2 Timers - 1 Recorder for 2 morning shifts for Lanes 3 & 4 and Lane 5 for Finals.

Sunday - Aug 15 at the Meet: 2 Timers- 1 Recorder for 2 morning shifts and for Finals; and Takedown after meet

If you wish to be slotted into any of these positions before Maria assigns you a job, please contact her at **604-420-1040**

OUT-OF-TOWNERS

If you have any relatives or friends planning to visit from out-of-town during **Provincials week (August 16-22)** & are in need of hotel accommodations, get them to check our website at www.bcssa.bc.ca/sf/bur under the section **Provincials- Accommodations** for a **special discount rate** from hotels supporting the Provincials.



★ **Best of Luck to all Swimmers at the "B" Regionals!** ★

A Word From Maria Parente

Thanks to all our volunteering **Barracuda parents** along with all the other **Simon Fraser Region Clubs** in making the "A" Regionals a success. When the Simon Fraser Region clubs work together, we are practicing towards a successful Provincial Meet. Led by our Head Coach **Ryan Skomorowski** and our volunteer parent President, **Wendy Jung** & our many volunteer Executive parents, the Club is honored to host the 2004 Provincials for our Region and all the Regions in BC!

In October, come forth at our **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** to

be nominated or to fill in any of the positions you feel you might be interested in learning.

I would like to say after 10 years with the Club I have enjoyed being with my children and everyone else's children and doing my part. This will be my last year as **Director of Officials** as I believe I will not have a swimmer with the Club next year.

Thank you to all of you and the **best of everything** at Meets, Regionals, Provincials and in life's adventures and challenges.

- Maria Parente

